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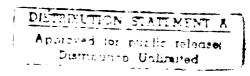
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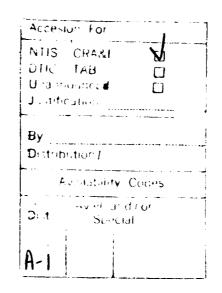
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### INTRODUCTION

This laboratory has reported that physostigmine salicylate is not mutagenic in the Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Test (1). In this assay, a standard 4% concentration of liver S-9 fraction in the activated plates was used. It has been recommended that if a test compound is negative in the activated assay with the standard concentration of S-9, it should be retested at a 10% concentration of liver S-9 fraction (2). Since physostigmine produced a positive response in the mouse lymphoma assay (3), and sister chromatid exchange assays (4), a retest of physostigmine salicylate in the Ames Test was conducted using the recommended high concentration of liver S-9.

The Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Test is a short-term screening test that utilizes histidine auxotrophic mutant strains of Salmonella typhimurium to detect compounds that are potentially mutagenic in mammals. A mammalian microsomal enzyme system is incorporated in the test to increase sensitivity by simulating in vivo metabolic activation of the test compound. The Ames test is an inexpensive yet highly predictive and reliable test for detecting mutagenic activity and thus carcinogenic potential (5).

This evaluation of PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE utilizes a revision of the Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Test (2).

### Objective of the Study

The objective of this study was to determine the mutagenic potential of PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE in an Ames Salmonella/Mammalian Microsome Mutagenicity Test which utilized a concentration of 10% liver S-9 in the activation mixture.

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Test Compound

Chemical Name: PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE

LAIR Code Number: TW73

Physical State: White crystalline solid

Source: Division of Experimental Therapeutics

WRAIR, Washington, DC.

Requested by LTC Von Bredow, USAMRICD

Storage: PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE was stored in a desiccator at  $-20^{\circ}$ C until used.

Chemical Properties/Analysis: Data provided by WRAIR characterizing the chemical composition and purity of the test material, are presented in Appendix A with a confirmatory analysis of the test material performed by the Division of Toxicology, LAIR (Presidio of San Francisco, CA).

### Test Solvent

The positive control chemicals and the test compound were dissolved in grade I dimethyl sulfoxide (lot 113F-0450) obtained from Sigma Chemical Co. (St. Louis, MO). The glass-distilled water used in this assay was first passed through a Technic Series 300 Reverse Osmosis Unit (Seattle, WA), then through a Corning MP-1 Mega-Pure System glass distillation unit (Corning Glass Works, Corning, NY) (6).

### Chemical Preparation

On the day of dosing, 300 mg of the test compound was measured into a sterile vial and dissolved in dimethyl sulfoxide to achieve a 10% (w/v) solution. Aliquots of this solution were used to dose the test plates.

### Test Strains

Salmonella strains TA97, TA98, TA100, TA104, TA1535, TA1537, and TA1538 obtained directly from Dr. Bruce Ames, University of California, Berkeley, were used. These strains were maintained in our laboratory in liquid nitrogen. Quality control tests were run concurrently with the test substance to establish the validity of each strain's special features and to determine the spontaneous reversion rate. Descriptions of the strains, their genetic markers, and the

methods for strain validation are given in the LAIR SCP, GP-STX-1 (7).

### Test Format

PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE was evaluated for mutagenic potential according to the revised Ames method (2). A detailed description of the methodology is given in LAIR SOP, OP-STX-1 (7).

### Toxicity Tests

Toxicity tests were conducted to determine a sublethal concentration of the test substance (Table 1). This toxicity level was found by using minimal glucose agar (MGA) plates, concentrations of test compound ranging from 1.6 x  $10^{-3}$  mg/plate to 5.0 mg/plate, and approximately  $10^8$  cells of TA100 per plate. Top agar containing trace amounts of histidine and biotin was placed on the plates. Strain verification was confirmed on the bacteria, along with a determination of the spontaneous reversion rate. After incubation, the growth on the plates was observed. Since the two highest doses showed a decrease in the number of macrocolonies (below the number in the spontaneous reversion plates) or an observable reduction in the density of the background lawn, a maximium limit dose of 0.2 mg/plate was used in the mutagenicity test.

### Mutagenicity Test

The test substance was evaluated over a 1000-fold range of concentrations, decreasing from the minimum toxic level (the maximum or limit dose) by a dilution factor of 5, both with and without 0.5 ml of the S-9 microsome fraction. The S-9 was purchased from Microbiological Associates, Inc. (Bethesda, MD). After all the ingredients were added, the top agar was mixed, then overlaid on MGA plates. These plates contained 2% glucose and Vogel Bonner "E" Concentrate (8). The water used in this medium and in all reagents came from a Technic Model 301 Reverse Osmosis Pre-Treatment Water System (Seattle, WA) (6). Plates were incubated upside down in the dark at 37°C for 72 hours (Maron, 1985, personal communication). Plates were prepared in triplicate and the individual revertant counts were recorded. The average number of revertants at each dose level was compared to the average number of spontaneous revertants (negative control). spontaneous reversion rate (with and without S-9) was monitored by averaging the counts from two determinations run simultaneously with the test compound. The spontaneous reversion rate was determined by inoculating one set of plates

before and one set after the test compound plates so that any change in spontaneous reversion rate during the dosing procedure would be detected. This spontaneous reversion rate was also compared with historical values for this laboratory and those cited in Maron and Ames (2). Sterility and strain verification controls were run concurrently. All reagents, test compounds, and media were checked for sterility by plating samples of each on minimal glucose agar and incubating them at 37°C with the test plates. The integrity of the different Salmonella strains used in the assay was verified by the following standard tests:

-Lack of growth (inhibition) in the presence of crystal violet which indicates that the prerequisite alteration of the lipopolysaccharide layer of the cell wall is present.

-Growth in the presence of ampicillin-impregnated disks which indicates the presence of an ampicillin-resistant R Factor in all strains except TA1535, TA1537 and TA1538.

-Lack of growth (inhibition) following exposure to ultraviolet light which indicates the absence of the DNA excision-repair mechanism

Three known mutagens were tested as positive controls to confirm the responsiveness of the strains to the mutation process. Each strain must be tested with at least one positive control but may be tested with several. These compounds: benzo[a]pyrene (lot 18C-0378), 2-aminofluorene (lot 021547), and N-methyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine (lot 127C-0342) were obtained from Sigma Chemical Co. (St. Louis, MO). The test compound and the known mutagens were handled during this study in accordance with the standards published in NIH Guidelines for the Laboratory Use of Chemical Carcinogens [DHHS Publication No. (NIH) 81-2385, May 1981].

### Data Interpretation

According to Brusick (9), a compound is considered mutagenic if a positive dose response (correlated dose response) over three dose concentrations is achieved with at least the highest dose yielding a revertant colony count greater than or equal to thice the spontaneous colony count for the tester strains Table, and Taloo, or three times the spontaneous colony count for the tester strains Table, and Taloo, or three times the spontaneous colony count for strains Taloo, and Taloo without a doubling of the individual colony count may also be considered positive.

Maron and Ames (2) consider a compound mutagenic in tester strain TA97 if a correlated dose response over three concentrations is achieved with the highest dose yielding a revertant colony count greater than or equal to twice the spontaneous colony count.

### Deviations from the Protocol/SOP

As indicated in the protocol, strain TA104 is used as a replacement for strain TA102. This permanent change will be reflected in the next revision of the Ames SOP.

### Storage of the Raw Data and Final Report

A copy of the final report, study protocols, raw data, SOPs, and an aliquot of the test compound will be retained in the LAIR archives.

### RESULTS

On 4 February 1988, the toxicity of PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE was determined (Table 1). For this experiment all sterility, strain verification, and negative controls were normal. Exposure of the tester strain (TA100) to the two highest doses showed a decrease in the number of macrocolonies, and an observable reduction in the density of the background lawn, indicating chemical toxicity. Therefore, the highest dose selected for the mutagenicity test was 0.2 mg/plate.

Normal results were obtained for all sterility and strain verification tests during the Ames Test performed on 4 February 1988, (Table 2). PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE did not induce any appreciable increase in the revertant colony counts relative to those of the negative control cultures (Table 3).

A tabular presentation of raw data is included in Appendix B.

TABLE 1: Toxicity Level Determination for TW73

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### TOXICITY DETERMINATION REVERTANT PLATE COUNT (TA100)

START RUN NEGATIVE CONTROL $76 \pm 4.7$ NL         5.0 mg/plate $0 \pm 0.0$ ST         i.0 mg/plate $21 \pm 7.6$ ST         0.2 mg/plate $84 \pm 10.6$ NL         0.04 mg/plate $80 \pm 10.4$ NL         0.008 mg/plate $86 \pm 6.2$ NL         0.0016 mg/plate $71 \pm 7.8$ NL         END RUN NEGATIVE CONTROL $91 \pm 7.2$ NL	

### STRAIN VERIFICATION FOR TOXICITY DETERMINATION

	TA100*
HISTIDINE REQUIREMENT AMPICILLIN RESISTANCE UV CRYSTAL VIOLET SENSITIVITY STERILITY CONTROL	NG G NG NG NG

### STERILITY CONTROL FOR TOXICITY DETERMINATION

MATERIAL TESTED	OBSERVATION*
MINIMAL GLUCOSE AGAR PLATES TOP AGAR DILUENT WATER NUTRIENT BROTH	NG NG NG
TEST COMPOUND (HIGHEST DOSE)	NG NG

<sup>\*</sup>NL=Normal Lawn, G=Growth, NG=No Growth, ST=Slight Toxicity.

TABLE 2: Strain Verification and Sterility Testing for the Mutagenicity Determination of TW73

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### STRAIN VERIFICATION

### OBSERVATIONS\*

STRAIN	HISTIDINE	AMPICILLIN	UV	CRYSTAL	STERILITY
	REQUIREMENT	RESISTANCE	REPAIR	VIOLET	CONTROL
TA97	NG	R	NG	NG	NG
TA98	NG	R	NG	NG	NG
TA100	NG	R	NG	NG	NG
TA104 TA1535	NG NG NG	R NR	NG NG NG	NG NG	NG NG NG
TA1537 TA1538	NG NG	NR NR	NG NG NG	. NG NG	NG NG

### STERILITY CONTROL FOR MUTAGENICITY DETERMINATION

MATERIAL TESTED	<u>OBSERVATION*</u>
MINIMAL GLUCOSE AGAR PLATES TOP AGAR DILUENT WATER NUTRIENT BROTH TEST COMPOUND (HIGHEST DOSE) S-9	NG NG NG NG NG NG
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<sup>\*</sup> G=Growth, NG=No Growth, R=Resistant, NR=Not Resistant

for Physostigmine Salicylate (TW73) + Mutagenicity Assay .. ო TABLE

NEG CONTROL         0.0 mg         66 ± 23.3 to 1 ± 2.7 to 2.0 to 2 mg         66 ± 23.3 to 1.2 to 1.3 to 2.0 to 2 mg         66 ± 13.8 to 2.0 to 2 mg         101 ± 5.1 to 1 to 2 mg         101 ± 5.1 to 3 to 2 mg         101 ± 4.2 to 2 to 2 to 2 to 3 to 3 to 3 to 3 to	COMPOUND*	DOSE/PLATE	TA97	TA98	TA100	TA104
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$0.000064 \text{ mg}$ $93 \pm 7.0$ $22 \pm 3.5$ $83 \pm 6.0$	TW73		8 ± 7.	3 ± 5.	5 ± 6.	$27 \pm 12.$
	TW73		3 ± 7.	2 ± 3.	3 ± 6.	49 ± 1.

† Values represent the mean number of revertants/plate (±standard deviation). \* 2-AF=2-aminofluorene, BP=benzo[a]pyrene, MNNG=N-methyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine.

TABLE 3	(cont.):	Mutagenicity	Assay f	for Physostigmine	Salicylate (TW73) †
COMPOUND*	DOSE/PLATE	ы	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
			WITHOUT	8-9	
NEG CONTROL	0		0 ± 3.	5 ± 3.8	6 ± 4.4
MINIG	2.0 µg		$773 \pm 31.6$	I I	1
TW73			3 + 3.	+ 5.	+ 1.
TW73			$0 \pm 2$ .	$2 \pm 1.5$	$14 \pm 10.2$
TW73			0 ± 2.	; ;	+1
TW73			$6 \pm 1$ .	+1	+1
TW73			8 ± 6.	+ 2.	+ 16.
TW73			1 + 3.	± 2.	$6 \pm 2$ .
			WITH	6-	
NEG CONTROL		ָּס	18 ± 3.5	$12 \pm 3.0$	19 ± 3.1
2-AF	2.0 tu	ي	1	1	ı
BP		ָט	ı	+1	+ 16.
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TW73		ن	5 ± 4.	+ 1.	3 ± 5.
TW73	0.00032	mg	$11 \pm 2.0$	6 ± 1.0	$17 \pm 1.5$
TW73		Q	6 ± 3.	+ 5.	5 ± 4.

† Values represent the mean number of revertants/plate († standard deviation). \* 2-AF=2-aminofluorene, BP=benzo[a]pyrene, MNNG=N-methyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine.

### DISCUSSION

Certain test criteria must be satisfied before an Ames test can be considered a valid assessment of a compound's mutagenic potential. First, the special features of the Ames strains must be verified. These features include demonstration of ampicillin resistance, alterations in the LP layer, and deficiency in DNA excision-repair. Second, the Salmonella strains must be susceptible to mutation by known mutagens. Third, the optimal concentration of the test compound must be determined by treating TA100 with a broad range of doses and observing the potential toxic effects on formation of macrocolonies and microcolonies. If these tests are performed and expected data are obtained, then the results of an Ames test can be considered valid.

Since physostigmine salicylate was more potent after metabolic activation in mammalian cell assays for genotoxic potential (3,4) but was not active in the Ames test that used a standard 4% concentration of liver S-9 fraction in the activation mixture (1), a repeat of the Ames test was conducted with a higher concentration of liver S-9. Even at the recommended concentration of 10% liver S-9 fraction in the activation mixture (2), physostigmine salicylate was not active in the Ames Test. These data suggest that the genotoxic potential of physostigmine salicylate is due to chromosomal mutations as detected in the mouse lymphoma or sister chromatid exchange assays rather than gene mutations as would be detected in the Ames test.

### CONCLUSION

PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE was evaluated for mutagenic potential in the Ames Test, both in the presence and absence of a 10% liver S-9 activation mixture, and did not induce a positive response under conditions of this study.

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### Appendix A: CHEMICAL DATA

Chemical name: Physostigmine salicylate

Other Names: Eserine salicylate; physostigmine, 2-hydroxybenzoate; 1, 2, 3, 3a, 8, 8a-hexahydro-1, 3a, 8-trimethylpyrrolo[2,3-b]indol-5-ol methylcarbamate (ester), (3aS-cis)-, mono (2-hydroxybenzoate) (salt)

Lot Number: BL25591

Chemical Abstracts Registry Number: 57-64-7

LAIR Code Number: TW73

WRAIR Code Number: WR-006570AM

Chemical Structure:

Molecular Formula: C15H21N3O2 • C7H6O3

Molecular Weight: 413.47

Physical State: White, crystalline solid

Analytical Data:

The test compound was analyzed by the sponsors and the identity confirmed by UV and IR spectroscopy, high pressure liquid chromatography, mass spectrometry and elemental analysis. Based on HPLC analysis of this test compound in comparison with the USP physostigmine salicylate reference standard, lot BL25591 contains 66.7% (100.1% of theory) physostigmine base and 33.7% (100.8% of theory) salicylic acid or 100.4% physostigmine salicylate. 1

HPLC: HPLC analysis of physostigmine salicylate in this lab was performed using a Hewlett-Packard 1090 HPLC system equipped with a diode array detector. The compound was chromatographed under the following conditions: silica column (4.6 x 100 mm, Brownlee Labs, Inc.); mobile phase, 15%

### Appendix A (cont.): CHEMICAL DATA

acetonitrile/buffer (0.01M Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> with 0.0025 M tetramethyl-ammonium chloride); flow rate, 1.5 ml/min; column oven, 50°C; wavelength monitored, 210 nm. The compound eluted as two peaks with retention times of 0.9 min (salicylic acid), and 3.9 min (physostigmine).  $^2$ 

IR (KBr): 3320(broad), 2964, 2325, 1744, 1629, 1594, 1485, 1460, 1383, 1326, 1245, 1203, 1184, 1151, 1140, 1087, 1006, 993, 944, 860, 807, 754, 704, 667, 382 cm-1. $^3$  The IR spectrum was identical to that provided by the sponsors. $^1$ 

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Appendix B: INDIVIDUAL PLATE SCORES

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STIGMINE SALICYLATE	COXICITY DETERMINATION WITH

DOSES	5.0 mg/plate	1.0 mg/plate	0.2 mg/plate	0.04 mg/plate	
PLATE 1 PLATE 2 PLATE 3	000	30 16 18	86 73 94	88 89 89	
BACKGROUND	sl. toxicity	sl. toxicity	normal lawn	normal lawn	
DOSES	0.008 mg/plate	0.0016 mg/plate	NEG START	NEG END	
PLATE 1 PLATE 2 PLATE 3	88 91 79	76 65 -	81 74 72	99 86 78	
BACKGROUND	normal lawn	normal lawn	normal lawn	normal lawn	

Appendix B (cont.): INDIVIDUAL PLATE SCORES

		PHYSC <b>N</b>	PHYSOSTIGMINE NEGATIVE		SALICYLATE (TW73) CONTROL DATA	173)			I
COMPOUND	DOSE/PLATE	TA97	TA98	TA100	TA104	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538	
			MI	WITHOUT S	6-1				
NEG CONTROL	0.0 mg	71		86	9 1		10	10	
(START RUN)		85	14	77	166	20	~ &	10	
NEG CONTROL	0.0 mg			52	121		4.0		
(END RUN)		46 49	13	64 66	120	23	0 0	O V	
			<b>[3</b> ]	WITH S-9	O)				
NEG CONTROL	0.0 mg		6) c 6) d	82	4.0	15	13	19	
(START RUN)		130	35	94	198	10	14	17	
NEG CONTROL	0.0 mg		25	71	7	20	15		
(END RUN)		101		20 20 20 20 20	214 183	23	77	15	

Appendix B (cont.): INDIVIDUAL PLATE SCORES

PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE (TW73)

# POSITIVE CONTROL DATA

COMPOUND	COMPOUND! DOSE/PLATE	TA97	TA98	TA100	TA104	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
2-AF	2.0 µg	210 207 212						
BP	2.0 µg		79 83 79	247 212 220	523 531 517		36 20 36	148 128 160
MNNG	2.0 µg	207 220 200		905 861 831	961 935 870	799 738 783		

<sup>+ 2-</sup>AF=2-aminofluorene, BP=benzo[a]pyrene, MNNG=N-methyl-N'-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine.

INDIVIDUAL PLATE SCORES (cont.): m Appendix

	PHYS MUTAG	PHYSOSTIGMINE MUTAGENICITY	SALIC DATA	PHYSOSTIGMINE SALICYLATE (TW73)	73) <b>S-9</b>		
			j				
DOSE/PLATE	TA97	TA98	TA100	TA104	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
0.2 mg	97	16	53	183	10	10	24
	107	19	82	201	14	9	26
	100	19	83	184	16	10	24
0.04 mg	57	11	90	147	0	2	26
	65	13	69	158	13	4	7
	85	19	77	119	6	7	10
0.008 mg	64	15	72	150	∞	9	13
	83	18	62	164	12	ന	0
	89	12	87	138	6	9	9

COMPOUND

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15 8 11

74 74 88

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184 182 212

88 67 82

16 15 13

98 98

0.00032 mg

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0.000064 mg

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198 187 177

84 92 56

Appendix B (cont.): INDIVIDUAL PLATE SCORES

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	WITH
SALICYLATE	DATA
	MUTAGENICITY

COMPOUND	DOSE/PLATE	TA97	TA98	TA100	TA104	TA1535	TA1537	TA1538
TW73	0.2 mg	8 0 0 5 5 5	31	8 6 6 8 7	213	15 26	12	4 W V
TW73	0.04 mg		23 27 27		1 7 7 8	1 / 7 / 15 / 15 / 15 / 15 / 15 / 15 / 15	ж rv 4	12 3 5
TW73	0.008 mg	106 106	22 29 18	8 6 4 7 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	4.00	101	. 4wv	17 12 10
TW73	0.0016 mg	98 81 81	24 25 17	ლ	217 207 217	19 10 15	m m 9	
TW73	0.00032 mg	89 102 103	26 17 26	73 82 69	213 234 234	9 11 13	6 7 5	
TW73	0.000064 mg	93 86 100	26 20 20	. 89 77	250 247 249	20 13 15	15 6 6	12 14 20

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